# NORTHERN TRIBUNE.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1883.

JOSIAH W. BEGOLE, THE PATRIOT AND REFORMER, OF MICHIGAN DEMOCRACY.

We think Governor Begole to-day in about as unpleasant a predicament, as it is possible for a political demagogueto get himself into. We think the question as to whether it is right or wrong, for a state officer to accept from a railroad corporation a free pass over its road for himself or family either in prosecuting his private or public business, a matter of uo importance in this controversy. The question that the average voter is asking himself is: Did Begole in the canvass for his last election assume to himself superior virtue over his opponent, from the fact that he could not and would not under any circumstances, be induced to accept of such a corrupting agency as a railroad pass, and did he urge this as a reason why he should be elected Governor of Michigan, and why honest voters, independent of party, who desired to glorify honor and who abhored corruption, should east their votes for him, and further, has it since come to light, that after all, this fuss and feathers in public, about his virtue and honor, he has been privately sneaking around like a puppy at the heels of railroad officials, importuning them for passes, not only for himself, but for his family, and this te, without much doubt, before his election, as he admits having had a pass sent to him before his election "which he had nearly used up," and it is fair to presume it was obtained like the others upon his request.

We would ask the voters of Michigan to ponder over what they have done. To overhaul themselves as it were, and see if they are not proud of themselves, in electing this lying old fraud as Governor of the great State of Michigan. What do you Democrats think of this Greenback reform hypocrite, you were compelled to swallow, for the head of your ticket and that you will be asked to swallow again next fall. A man who by implication admits that he cannot execute the duties of his office as Governor, honestly and justly, and for the best interest of the state, where railroad interests are concerned, when he has a railroad pass in his pocket, and who has been caught with railroad passes in his pocket and applying for more to take their place when these are gone.

That gifted genius who at present occupies the subaltern position of private secretary, to Uncle Josiah, makes this remarkable explanation for him. He says the passes were to be used by the Governor in his private business as a lumber shipper, and that when the Governor traveled on public business he always paid his fare and charged it up to the state. This should certainly make things all right for the Governor. For instance, if instead of the railroad company paying the Governor his bribe in a railroad pass, they had paid it to him in money, and he had been caught taking for the Union, the country, the crushing it and asking for more, this brilliant of treason, and the freedom of man. ass could explain it to the good people and show that it was all right, by telling them that the Governor used the money in his own private lumber business, and not in any business in which the state was interested.

Still more remarkable than the request for a pass, and the secretary's explanation of the same, is the Govenors anxiety to prevent the railroad from giving passes to the members of the legislature, for the reason as he says, that the people demanded it, that no passes should be given them. Can it be possible that the people would object to members of the legislature who are lumber shippers, from using railroad passes in their private business as such? A great many of the legislators are lumber shippers and probably all of them are shippers of some kind or another to a greater or less extent. Why should the Governor seek to exclude them from the use of these passes in their own private business? Why would they be more corrupted, thereby than the Goyernor, and why do the people make this demand in regard to the members of the legislature alone?

According to the reasoning of this Democratic Greenback Reform Statesman, railroad passes are a part of the perquisites of the office of Governor, for the use of himself and the royal family, but in no case to be used by members of the legislature, and others of the common herd to whose uneducated minds and baser morals, they might act as a corrupting influence. It is a pitiable sight to see a man of the Governors age. that ordinarilly would command respect for him, placed in such a position, through his own demagogueism and folly. It is a disgrace to the State of Michigan that he is her Governor, and causes the the north, south, east and west of this blush of shame to mantle the cheek of great Republic, can vote his honest con. the better classes of either party, when victions.

compelled to admire before strangers that a man of such infinitesimal calibre, holds the office of Governor of this great state. Muzzle your secretary Mr. Governor and the few papers in the state who attempt an explanation for you, and if necessary call in the fool killer and exterminate them from off the face of the earth, for every move they make, or explanation they offer, helps to show up to the whole world your contemptible littleness, and helps to disgrace us through you.

### "BLOODY SHIRT."

This repellant title forms one of the most euphonious expressions for the average Democratic newspaper, that seeks in the absence of argument to create prejudice against the people of the north as if they were full of malice and thirsty for blood, when in reality these hypocritical shrickers know that their wild cries are to draw attention from foul murders committed by Democrats upon Republicans throughout the south to further the political interests of the Democratic party.

If objection be made to the slaughter of helpless negroes to deter their race from going to the polls, these murdersupporting sheets accuse those making the protest as guilty of waving the "bloody shirt." There must be silence and acquiescence when human beings are knifed and shot to death, for adverse criticism means to them, the "bloody shirt." Nothing is plainer than a "solid south" in the next Presidential canvas maintained by the shot-gun policy. The south is as solid for the Democracy that encourages them in butchering helpless negroes as it was for slavery, and will fight for the next Democratic candidate with the same zeal it fought the battles of rebellion. The battle will be with the same men for the same principles as in 1861, the means of arbitration being politics and the pen, with the understanding that where there is a possibility of negroes voting the Republican ticket as in Virginia, a sufficient number, on the eve of the election must be killed to keep the rest at home, as was done at Danville in the November election, and thus by intimidation and murder, give a clean sweep for the party that endorses basest crimes as means of climbing into power. The Democratic party seeks to stir up and embroil the south and have it arrayed against the north as defiantly, aggressively and uncompromisingly as ever. The south bates the negro with a deeper hatred and has for him a stronger contempt than when he was their slave. It scorns his assumption of manhood, and before the ballot box is armed, to threaten and slay him if he dare vote for the party that gave him liberty. The Democratic party aggravates the south to hate and despise the Republican party as it does the negro. It sees in that party the liberator of its slaves, the confiscator of its property, the destroyer of its cherished institutions, and its conqueror in the battles

Wherever a slave was owned there is a Democratic majority, not because there is a majority of Democrats, but because of Democratic methods. Were the negroes permitted a free ballot there would no longer be a "solid south." The shot-gun and bowie-knife are the effective workers of the Democratic party of the south, they are the arguments used, not to secure votes for the Democratic party, but to prevent them being cast for the Republicans. As ever, there is arrayed against us a solid south, which is not met as in 1861, by a solid north, but with thousands of war Democrats who bravely fought secession, now fighting for what is misnamed "Democracy." The government property was seized in 1861 by Democracy, that fired our forts, spiked our guns, crippled our shipping. burned government store-houses, tore down the stars and stripes, trampling them and bidding defiance to the United States. In Democracy's wicked, wasteful hands, the government was disgraced by the "rule or ruin" policy of the party. It is to-day fighting for the same principles of Lee and Jackson in College men from this point should citizen's dress. The people of the sonth do not pretend to deny this. The Republican party is committed to freedom, it matters not for what party the negro or any other man votes for, but he must in every part of this America have the unquestioning right to vote as he wishes, freely and unmolested. The Republican party did not make the "bloody shirt," but there is such a thing and it is fast colors, drove through and through and clinched on the other side by thousands of glittering southern bowie-knives. and the Republican party will not have done its mission until this "bloody shirt" is a thing of the past, and every man in

#### AMERICA.

The criticisms of the press on Matthew Arnold vary with the views of the writers, but in none is there an approach to an unkindly spirit. There is some disappointment in his utterances. For instance his failure to span the use of our terse paragraphs called forth humor a little at his expense. Further, his lecture was not up to the mark in the opinions of others. These remarks, though not captious, are somewhat thoughtless. The scholarly and intelligent Americans are not strangers to the tendency of Mr. Arnold's teachings. Since his fame passed into recognition, none in England is better known on this side. His poetry, with its charming simplicity, was first placed by us side by side with that of Russell Lowell, but more airy, though not without a sadness melining to a kind of gentle despair. With us, robust of life and unrestrained as the air we breath, our instinct brings us abreast with the spirit of the age. It is notable that our public men fail to size the breadth of our popular aspirations. We have long since left behind the conservative spirit. Emerson grew favor with our people before his sublime genius had aroused approval in Europe. All the leading thinkers of the Old World are read here through our reviews and magazines. We are familiar with their genius, and in that quality our interest alone is lodged. We care very little what they say of us. Dickens lampooned us in his Martin Chuzzlewit. Before him Thomas Moore thought us vulgar, and doomed to speedy explosion and dissolution. Madame Trollope, too, was merry over our prudery. We are too finely tempered and too full of life to feel hurt at these little spats, which had been the surprise of the author of David Copperfield. We are glad the great thinkers cross the sea to visit us, either for money, seeking their leisure, or instruction. We welcome all. America is the great wonder-land, melting down all nationalities into a homogenous mass, and the good sense of its people is never offended at what might be said of them or their habits. It is proof that freedom with us has her home. That life, drawing inspiration from the Infinite, elects only what is fit to survive. It has no time for trifles. It neither cares for appearances or compliments, but with conviction all its own, the priests like Capel, the preachers like Farrar, the rationalists like Tyndall, the radicals like Dilke, the agitators like Parnell, lawyers like Lord Coleridge, we welcome all, and if their labors are to help us to lighten the loads of humanity and send it on to upward planes, we say God speed. Curt or peevish, we are never under any provocation, out of humor, but with big aims, large purposes, and a land opening out to our civilization on the finest quarter of the globe, there is nothing limiting the honest purposes of our fearless people to bid the world move on. If Arnold is here, and we feel that he is to inspire us with finef thoughts we care little about his faults. America keys humanity according to no standard. Its hopes are to bless man, and so far there is nothing in her history to question the honesty of her convictions.

# OLD AND NEW

The newspaper telegrams speak of a meeting in Boston, of the presidents of several colleges in view of the fitness or unfitness of ancient languages as a class exercise. It simply recites that President Porter, of Yale, was in favor of retaining the old system, while President Elliot, of Harvard college, favored the breaking away from the old system and taking up new lines of departure.

The question has merits outside of our colleges or universaties. It may be that routine studies in the classes are out of place. There is some force in our day that in the busy life before most of us, something practical is demanded. and in fact is a necessary consideration. In plain English, it is first of all necessary to know our own vernacular, and in after duties the value of this training has both farce and sound sense in it. know the routine of business, so that after a course, fitness for business should be presumed. There is nothing out of place in this view. A thorough English education is fast supplanting in the public mind the old method. But are there not merits in classics with due allowance for this conclusion? Scholarship has up before us the past World in every department of human history. The thoughts resurrected are

ization cannot march onward. It is the silent influence of thought that works most deeply. The thinkers are among the most profound scholars. We can not in America, take a step backwards. Let us have practical men from college, but that does not include the training of learned men. Why can we not have

#### BE RIGHT YOURSELF.

A bitter word that provokes does not justify a harsh answer. Wrong met by wrong would keep the world in anger. Neither do wrong, nor retaliate it, and peace it sure to dwell in the heart. The objection to this is that man is not far enough advanced to comport with its requirements. In self denial the answer is easily given. We can make this earth blessed by being ourselves blessed. There is no place for evil in the higher planes of humanity.

THE "little red book" is no longer a

ENGLAND proposes to hold Egypt with a tightening grip.

The reconstructed Cabinet of Spain is favorable to France.

THE king, court and populace, have given the crown prince of Germany, now visiting Spain, a fine reception.

BUTLER is again "bottled," the supreme court of Massachusetts having decided that Mrs. Leonard is a "person."

The winter is to be mild acording to the ground hog, but the Democrats dread it on account of it being their funeral.

MICHIGAN believes it is wicked to hang a murderer, and four persons were foully butchered in bed near Jackson, last week.

France thinks England has failed in her protectorate of Egypt, and what is needed in Egypt is France to take care of matters.

Wade Hampton says his name would not strengthen the Democratic ticket. True, and it does not appear what name will strengthen the corpse.

HENRY WATERSON says the Democratic party is "now up for final judgment," and the Detroit Free press has been reading up "letters on hell."

JOHN FREMONT is old, poor, and works as an engineer for a living. The United States ought to care for him, as he has served his country as few can.

THE contest for speaker will be intensely bitter, and the Democratic vitriol slinging will begin the disruption of the new Democracy in earnest.

THE Democrats are glorifying Wendell Phillips, utterances about the Republican party. Whenever a Republican is "played" Democracy adopts him

THE appointment of Julius C. Burrows as chief justice of Dakota would be an eminently proper thing for the President to do, and report has it that such will be done. Michigan is proud of the faithful, able man, and eloquent

Gov. BEGOLE is a pronounced fraud the country over, in his free pass business, but the state is justly proud over Senator Palmer, an able true, pure man. To the art loan association he has recently given \$10,000, in a way to stimulate the enterprise to great success.

THE Detroit Evening Journal thinks whenever a man runs a paper for selfish and personal motives, that leads him to abuse those he does not like, or who do not support his scheme, that he is a disgrace to decent Journalism, and when brought to grief, all honest people should

THE Detroit Post and Tribune has so improved under its present management as to place the paper at the head of Michigan journals, and the present confidence will be continued, so long as this able newspaper maintains its robust, broad, Republican position; we heartily commend it to our readers as first-elass in every sense.

J. R. West was a few years ago U. S. Senator from Louisiana. Washington as such, he was in a game a living force in the make up of the ad- of draw poker with Robert Schenk. vanced part of our day coloring life Stephen W. Dorsey and James Selover, with a new light. To be pointed, might of Wall street, and lost, and for his unit not be concluded that Presidents Por- settled balance he gave his note to Selovter and Elilott are both right? Why er for \$1,000. Now on suit he pleads not combine the changes necessary with want of consideration. It is another the old system as far as applicable to step in the revelations of Washington the times? Without scholarship, civil- morals.

LET the Republicans name their very best man for speaker, and no complimentary voting.

Watterson has delivered a speech at Cooper Institute, and verified his ignorance, and incapacity to grow.

Odessa is the name of a place in Ionia county. It is suggestive of our mixed population. The Pan Slav is evidently around.

On the adoption of the Dakota constitution not one-half of the territorial vote was cast. Some Ohio Republicans must have gone there.

GIVE the Democratic party the full benefit of murdering negroes at Danville by a full investigation of the quality and quantity of this peculiar cussed-

The President has pardoned Sergeant Mason. Betty and the baby, and the people had pardoned him some time ago, and we are glad the man who shot at Guiteau can now enjoy life.

A STATE prohibiting the game being shipped from its limits, such enactment was decided by Judge McCrary as unconstitutional. The case was tried in U. S. District court of Iowa, and is entitled Kaiser vs. the Illinois Central Railroad Company.

THE Detroit Free Press under "Letters from Hell," has briefly sketched the old and new views of that locality. It is about time that we should explore that region. The Dane who has been there has returned, as Dante did before him. Passion is messenger to its terrors, and will surely guide one there, while virtue will as surely introduce you into the "snakeless meadow," the scene of the ineffably blessed.

REV. HENRY WARD BEECHER'IS a free trader, and is in league with foreign capitalists and importers, with no rational sympathy for the poor on this point. He has had no personal contact with the poor for over thirty years, and with them is very unpopular since he declared that a poor man could get along and support a family comfortably for a dollar a day. No wonder he is a free trader. All who want to further oppress the poor and enrich the rich car consistently endorse the wrong of free trade.

An effort is being made to secure dol lar subscriptions throughout the state for the erection of a pedestal in New York Harbor, for Bartholdi's statue of liberty. The object is worthy.

THE CTY of murder comes from every quarter. People are being butchered in droves. Infernal fiends tramp the earth to kill. Science should do something to find out the cause of, and remedy for this era of murder.

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